on the first Monday in April(a) in each year, for the purpose of CHAP. 191. noting transfers and hearing appeals, and shall sit so long as shall be necessary, not exceeding twenty days in any year, and they shall give public notice of the times of such meeting.

(a) By December 1813, ch. 34, changed to February as to Frederick county.

44. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners of the clerks to commissioners their earthseveral counties, and of the city of Baltimore, shall on the first day of their meeting in each year, appoint a clerk, who be-fore he enters upon the duties of his office, shall take the following oath, or affirmation, (as the case may be,) to wit: "I, A. B. do swear (or affirm,) that as clerk to the commissioners of the tax of - county, (or city,) I will to the best of my skill and judgment, execute the duties of said office, without favour, affection, partiality or prejudice;" which oath or affirmation any one of the commissioners of the tax, or any justice of the peace may administer.

45. And BE IT ENACTED, That the said commissioners shall Duplicates of all plabetical lists of cause their clerk to deliver to the clerk of his county, and to the owners of proper collector of the tax annually, on or before the twentieth day of to clerk. collector of the tax annually, on or before the twentieth day of to clerks June, each a duplicate of the alphabetical list of the owners or persons chargeable with the assessment of property within their county, with the amount of each person's assessed property, annexed to his or her name, and in case such clerk shall neglect or refuse to comply therewith, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of two hundred dollars for every such offence; and it shall be the duty of the clerks of the respective counties to keep the said duplicate in some

conspicuous place in his office, subject to the inspection and perusal of the citizens of his county without fee or reward.

46. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the following persons shall be, commissioners api and are hereby appointed commissioners for the several and respective counties of this state, and the city of Baltimore, to wit: For St. Mary's county, John R. Plater, Thomas Gardiner, James Hopewell, William Mills and Francis Millard; for Kent county, Nathaniel Comegys, Thomas Whittington, James Brook, Benjamin Hanson and Lewis Blackston; for Anne-Arundel county(a), William Hall, (the 3d,) Thomas Worthington, (of Nicholas,) John S. Belt, Richard Merriken and Osborn S. Harwood; for Calvert county, Joseph Blake, Mordecai Smith, James Duke, Howe Somervell and John Gray; for Charles county, William H. McPherson, William Vincent, Thomas H. Reeder, George H. Spalding and Lawrence Posey; for Baltimore county, Benjamin Tafbott, Alexis Lemmon, William Krebs, Moses Brown and Thomas Johnson; for Talbot county, Samuel Stevens, David Kerr, Lewis Bush, Anthony Banning and Charles Gibson; for Somerset county, John Dashiell, sen. Samuel Smith, sen. William Cottman, John Dashiell (of Jesse,) and Charles Nutter; for Dorchester county, Richard Pattison, Samuel Brown, Solomon Frazier, Washington Lake and James Chaplain; for Cecil county(b), Littleton Gale, Stephen Hollingsworth, Edward Oldham, James Leiper Porter and John Jordan; for Prince-George's county(b), Robert Sewall, Francis M.

(a) By 1816, ch. 22, a revaluation of real and personal property to be made in Anne-Arundel, Talbot and Somerset counties, and other commissioners named, &c (b) By 1817, ch 41, a revaluation of real and personal property to be made in Cecil and Prince George's counties, and other commissioners of the tax appointed for those counties,